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Dear Sir:

Further to the IDS submitted at filing, the Applicant, in accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and MPEP 609, through its attorneys and representatives, hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner the additional information noted on the attached Form PTO-1449, a copy of which are enclosed. The cited references were submitted in the IDS at filing. This submission is timely in that it is made prior to the first action on the merits of the application.

The information was cited in the Search Report and Written Opinion of the Singapore Patent Office dated August 7, 2006 in connection with the Applicant's corresponding Singapore application. A copy of the Search Report and Written Opinion are provided for the convenience of the examiner and to show the perceived relevance of the previously-cited documents in the view of the search authority.

It is requested that the Examiner review the information noted and make such consideration of record.

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Respectfully submitted,

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